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FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7295

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SUBJECT: STATUS OF SOVIET MT ALTO PROJECT

REF: STATE 35067

1. EMBASSY CONCURS WITH DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSAL TO NOTIFY SOVIETS PROMPTLY OF FORMAL US APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY RPT PRELIMINARY DESIGN PLANS AS SOON AS NCPC APPROVAL IS RECEIVED. SOVIETS CAN HARDLY BE EXPECTED TO APPROVE OUR PRELIMINARY PLANS SUBMITTED FEB. 12 UNTIL THEY RECEIVE APPROVAL THEIR PLANS SUBMITTED LAST YEAR.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES, HOWEVER, THAT DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE VERY EXPLICIT IN APPROVING ONLY THE PLANS AND DRAWINGS FOR THE PRELIMINARY STAGE COVERED BY PARAGRAPH 2.A. UNDER SECTION III PLANNING DOCUMENTATION IN DEC. 4, 1972 AGREEMENT. APPROVAL OF THE MORE DETAILED PLANS SPELLED OUT IN PARAGRAPH 2.B. SHOULD NOT IN EMBASSY'S VIEW BE GIVEN, AT LEAST NOT UNTIL WE HAVE RECEIVED APPROVAL OF OUR PRELIMINARY PLANS SUBMITTED FEB. 12, AND PREFEREABLY NOT UNTIL WE HAVE SUBMITTED OUR DETAILED PLANS PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 2.B.

3. GIVEN AGREEMENT PROVISIONS ON SIMULTANEOUS OCCUPANCY AND OBVIOUS DESIRABILITY MAINTAINING LEVERAGE TO ASSURE TIMELY SOVIET ACTIONS IN MOSCOW, BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT TO KEEP PROGRESS AS PARALLEL AS POSSIBLE IN BOTH CAPITALS. AT THIS STAGE THEREFORE, IT IS DESIRABLE THAT BOTH PARTIES CLEARLY LINK APPROVAL ACTION TO SECTION III 2.A. AND AT SAME TIME DEVELOP SIMILAR UNDERSTANDINGS

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OF WHAT WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THE NEXT LEVEL OF APPROVAL

SPECIFIED IN SECTION III PARAGRAPH 2.B.

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